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OKLAHOMA SECRETARY  
OF STATE

I, Brad Henry, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution, hereby establish the Oklahoma AMBER Alert Committee responsible for facilitating and implementing the AMBER Plan for Oklahoma.

In an effort to enhance the recovery of missing and abducted children, the State of Oklahoma hereby creates an AMBER Plan Committee responsible for the coordination of Oklahoma's AMBER Plan with the National AMBER Plan Network. The focus of the Oklahoma AMBER Plan is the successful recovery of missing and abducted children.

The duties and responsibilities of the Oklahoma AMBER Plan Committee, in the development and implementation of a comprehensive and coordinated AMBER Plan for Oklahoma, shall include:

Recruiting and certification of Law Enforcement Agencies for enabling the AMBER Plan to fulfill its purpose and goal of recovering missing and abducted children.

Establishing specified criteria before law enforcement is authorized to activate the Oklahoma AMBER Plan.

Reviewing all plan activations to determine whether activation was authorized, whether the activation was successful and the child recovered, or whether the activation was unnecessary.

Reviewing and making recommendations on the implementation of the statewide AMBER Alert Network.

Developing and entering into agreements with the surrounding states for coordination and activation of AMBER alerts when authorized as part of the National AMBER Alert Network.

Reviewing all federal funding available to increase the capability of the state response community.

Recruiting private corporations for enhanced communication when AMBER is activated.

The Committee is authorized to use federal funds available to state agencies pursuant to state and federal laws and regulations. All federal funding, should it become available, related to a National AMBER Plan Network should be part of an overall strategy to increase the capability of Oklahoma's awareness of missing and abducted children. The Oklahoma AMBER Plan Committee and its Chair will serve as the point of contact in the development of this statewide strategy. As part of the statewide strategy, a special broadcasting frequency has been developed by the generous donations of private sources. The Governor has designated the Oklahoma Department of Public Safety as the State Administering Agency for the Oklahoma AMBER Alert.

The Oklahoma AMBER Alert Committee created by this Order shall include representatives of Local, State and Federal agencies and private employers who are involved in and reflect Oklahoma's need for an organized and comprehensive AMBER Plan. The Committee shall consist of not more than twenty (20) members. Initial appointments to the Council shall conform to the following:

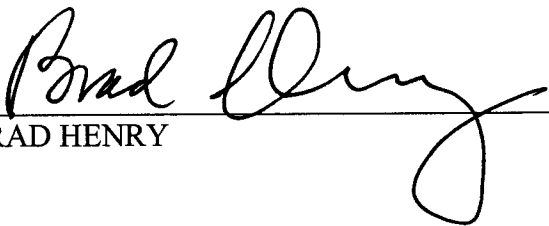
1. State officials shall include designees of the following named agencies:
  - a. Two members from the Governor's Office
  - b. Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation
  - c. State Emergency Alert System for Radio
  - d. State Emergency Alert System for Cable Television
  - e. Civil Emergency Management
  - f. Two members from the State Department of Public Safety
  - g. Oklahoma Department of Transportation
  - h. Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training
  - i. Indian Affairs Commission
2. Federal officials shall include a designee of the Federal Bureau of Investigation
3. Local officials shall include designees of the following named agencies:
  - a. Oklahoma Sheriff's Association
  - b. Oklahoma City Police Department
  - c. Tulsa Police Department
  - d. Oklahoma Association of Chiefs of Police
4. Representatives from private entities:
  - a. Oklahoma Association of Broadcasters
  - b. Cox Communications
5. Additional members, at the discretion of the Governor, may be appointed.

Private sector members shall be appointed by, and serve at the pleasure of, the Governor for a two-year term and may be reappointed. Chair of the Council shall be from the Governor's office. The Committee is to select a Vice-Chair and Secretary to be responsible for keeping minutes of the meetings. Administrative and Staffing support shall be provided by the Department of Public Safety. Members shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed travel expenses as authorized by state law. The Committee may meet at such times and places as deemed appropriate.

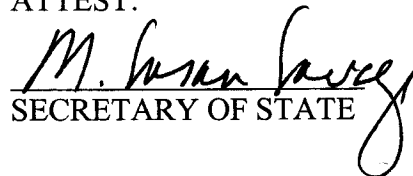
This Executive Order shall be distributed to all members of the Governor's Cabinet who shall cause the provisions of this order to be implemented.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, this 26 day of April, 2004.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

  
BRAD HENRY

ATTEST:

  
SECRETARY OF STATE